RESOLUTION 2014-09 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO SIGN PROJECT WORKSHEETS AND OTHER FEMA DOCUMENTS

WHEREAS, the blizzard that struck the City of Sturgis on October 3rd has place created a significant demand upon the city and its employees to respond to the emergency created by the store, debris cleanup and significant water flow which continued days after the blizzard had passed, and

WHEREAS, the City's Emergency Response Team as established in accordance to Title 29 has and is continuing to meet to respond to the significant damage throughout the community and to mitigate the loss of property and personal injury and as such has required the use of contracts to assist in the cleanup and mitigation efforts, and

WHEREAS, at the meeting on October 8th the Meade County Commission passed an Emergency Declaration to start the process of obtaining any available state and/or federal assistance to deal with the blizzard, debris and flooding emergency, and

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2013, President Obama declared the Atlas Blizzard a Natural Disaster eligible for FEMA reimbursement, and

WHEREAS, the City has adopted the City Manager form of government in place of the traditional Mayor and alderman form of city government, and

WHEREAS, the blizzard caused very substantial damage to the City through down power lines, fallen trees and limbs, and damaged and destroyed structures, and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA) is preparing forms and applications to begin the reimbursement process, and

WHEREAS, the City regularly authorizes the City Manager to sign contracts and applications on behalf of the city for necessary and required supplies and services, and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes it is necessary and in the best interest of the public to provide expeditious reporting and applications to FEMA in seeking reimbursement for costs incurred and potential cost sharing for mitigation measures, and

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the City Manager and Mayor are authorized to sign FEMA applications, documents and worksheets in regards to the Atlas Storm for the next one hundred eighty (180) days.

Dated this 6th day of January, 2014.

	CITY OF STURGIS
ATTEST:	Mayor Mark Carstensen
Fay Bueno City Finance Officer	

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